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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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## MISCELLANEOUS ACTION

### *Response to Amendment*

1. The reply filed on June 3, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The amended version of claim 1 is improper because not all of the changes are shown as required; specifically, subject matter has been deleted after "said stack of sheet members" in line 8, however such deletions have not been shown as required (i.e., by strike-through). All of the claims should be reviewed for accuracy and compliance with the rules for making amendments. It is noted that it is only necessary to submit corrected claims in a supplemental amendment. To expedite matters, it is suggested to submit a response to this communication via fax to the number for formal/official papers listed below. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Clark Dexter whose telephone number is (703) 308-1404. The examiner's typical work schedule is Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and he can be reached during normal business hours on these days.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Allan Shoap, can be reached at (703)308-1082.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703)308-1148. The fax numbers Technology Center 3700 are: after-final responses - (703)872-9303; other formal/official papers - (703)872-9302. The fax number for informal/draft papers - (703)305-9835.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Clark F. Dexter', is positioned above the printed name.

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